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Column One

By

David Courtney

THE most controversial man in British post-war politics has gone; and with his going the Labour Government becomes oddly thinned out. Mr. Bevin was a bulky figure of a man by all standards. His impact upon the Party, the House of Commons, and the world, was large: whether for good or ill is possibly an open question: and in the last strained year of his life, the weight of his massive personality lost balance and assurance.

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THERE is an element of tragedy in Mr. Bevin's career. He had hoped and laboured greatly; but the outcome of his mountainous work is seen in a trail of molehills interrupted here and there by the deep fissures of his errors. It is one of the amazing paradoxes of British political life that Mr. Bevin's stature lost nothing in impressiveness either from the smallness of his accomplishments or the bigness of his failures. He staked his reputation upon his handling of the Palestine problem and then stood in angry frustration while the problem bloodily settled itself. Yet none of these events took much from his reputation or anything at all from his influence.

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HIS most notable and successful act as Foreign Secretary was to take up the idea of Marshall Aid whilst it was scarcely more than an obscure hint. In full and swift recognition of its imaginative prospects, he roused Europe and the Americans themselves to awareness of the immense significance of Mr. Marshall's proposals. From that time onwards, Mr. Bevin gave more and more of his time and incredible energy to the development of the Marshall Plan and to the integration of his foreign policy into its vast economic conceptions. At the outset, he genuinely wished for a Soviet and East European part in the new dispensation, which he believed would provide more enduring basis for great-power unity than the system and ideals of U.N. He was never warmly in sympathy with that system and those ideals: a taciturn man, impatient of slow and involved debate, suspicious of subtle reasoning, contemptuous of anything that smacked of the 'intelligentsia,' he felt that U.N. was an obstacle to the realization of his own plans for international progress and stability, to which, however, he seemed quite unable to give substance or even form. In that, as in so much, Mr. Bevin always gave the impression of being just about to startle the world. He did not startle the world; but the world somehow did not feel disappointed.

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IN the Labour Party, Mr. Bevin was villain to some and hero to others. He was a personality that won intense loyalty or bitter dislike. He took the loyalty for granted and the hostility as evidence of malice and stupidity. It is highly probable that his reputation as a great Foreign Secretary will not outlast that sense of loyalty. What will remain for long is the gratitude of the workers of England to the man who, whatever he may have done in the international field, was, in his day, one of the most brilliant trade union leaders in the history of the movement. And if it is not a great Foreign Secretary who is being mourned today, it is, without doubt, an amazing and impressive personality.

Tel Aviv, April 16.

Hirohito and Cabinet Bid MacA. Goodbye

TOKYO, Monday (Reuter).—General Douglas MacArthur today took a hero's leave of the nation he first conquered, and then ruled for 5½ years.

Japanese Emperor Hirohito broke all precedents when he called on General MacArthur at the U.S. Embassy yesterday to bid him farewell.

Today, General MacArthur, stripped of all his commands suddenly by President Truman last Wednesday, was accompanied by attractive Mrs. Jean MacArthur and their 13-year-old son Arthur.

A guard of honour of 30 Americans — ten from each service — and 30 Japanese police jumped to present arms. A Japanese band played a slow march. Then a dozen motorcycle escorts opened their sirens and the cavalcade moved off.

With red and white five-starred pennants flapping at its fender standards, General MacArthur's Cadillac moved into an avenue of half a million Japanese. They cheered, bowed and waved tiny U.S. and Japanese flags all along the ten-mile route.

Sprinkling the route were painted wood and card signs bidding farewell. A typical one said: "Goodbye General MacArthur, we still love you."

The entire Japanese Cabinet of 14, hurriedly recalled to Tokyo for the occasion, stood together in frock coats and top hats headed by Prime Minister Shigeru Yoshida.

Near them were senior officers of all the U.N. commands. General MacArthur's successor, Lieutenant General Matthew B. Ridgway, waited at the top of the corridor near the steps to the plane to say goodbye to his old chief.

EBAN ACTIVE ON KOREA

NEW YORK, Sunday. — Ambassador Aba Eban once more urged consideration of the Israel plan for ending the Korean war, it was reported here, when he conferred with the U.N. General Assembly President Entezam yesterday. It was believed that interest in Israel's proposal had grown with the strengthening of U.N. sentiment that Peking should be confronted with a concrete programme for peace talks.

Members of the Asian-Arab group, however, were fearful of the expected Chinese spring offensive, which they felt would make peace talks more remote than ever. Delegates of the 14-member bloc conferred on the situation in a secret meeting this morning.

Communists Set Fire to Supplies

TOKYO, Sunday (Reuter). — Puffs of black smoke from blazing piles of equipment abandoned and fired by retreating Communists marked the U.N. zigzag line of advance on the western and eastern Korean fronts today.

The Eighth Army reported in an evening communique that its advancing troops were countering lessening resistance from Chinese and North Korean rearguards but said they were following up Communist withdrawals. In the western sector and the east, where the Communists were putting up only light resistance, the soldiers were reported to be hugging the ground in front of them as the enemy pulled back.

Air spotters said the Communists were also setting fire to warehouses and supply dumps.

Oil Refinery Closed in Iran

TEHERAN, Sunday (Reuter). — The Anglo-Iranian Oil Company's huge refinery at Abadan — the world's largest — was closed today following renewed activity by pickets surrounding the plant. Telephoned reports from the town, scene of bloody riots which took 12 lives on Thursday, said no more orders were being accepted from incoming tankers.

Loading of outgoing tankers was still going on, however.

Pickets first surrounded the great refinery yesterday, reducing the working staff from 12,000 to 3,000 and cutting production by eight million gallons a day to ten million.

Demonstrations continued today in the oil town at the head of the Persian gulf, but police in a counter-move took over a hostel used by striking apprentices as their headquarters.

The oil company announced last night that a few American families living at Abadan had asked to be evacuated. In view of the tense situation, the company had agreed to the requests.

The evening newspaper "Reinan" tonight reported that a general strike in Abadan had forced the refinery to close. But there was no confirmation of this from the oil company.

The newspaper added that a Persian government spokesman had said the government was considering whether to declare the strike legal or not. About 30,000 people were said to have stopped work.

STOP PRESS

The North Korean Foreign Minister, Pak Son Yong, has despatched a peace offer to the U.N., according to a Pyongyeng radio report monitored in Tokyo. The offer was reportedly contained in two telegrams addressed to Secretary-General Trygve Lie and Security Council Chairman Daniel Van Balluseck — but U.N. Headquarters so far has not received the offer. Officials, who say it will be at least 24 hours before any such offer could be confirmed officially, treated the news with cautious reserve.

U.K. Complaint On Handling of China

WASHINGTON, Sunday (Reuter). — The British Ambassador, Sir Oliver Franks, today complained to the State Department against the handling of the reported U.S. "rejection" of the British proposals that Communist China participate in the negotiations of a Japanese Peace Treaty.

The State Department said yesterday that the U.S. did not contemplate discussions with the Chinese Communist Government on a Japanese Peace Treaty, as suggested by Britain in an aide-memoire.

Draft Proposals

It is now considered probable that Britain will show a draft of the British proposals to the Chinese Communist Government, as the Government of a major Pacific power. The U.S. has already shown a draft of its proposals to Russia, and there has been no public objection by the State Department to the proposed British move.

There are still a number of points of view to be ironed out before Britain and the U.S. can agree upon the terms of a Japanese treaty. One important underlying factor is the ultimate necessity of trade with China to Japan's economic viability and the difficulty of such trade unless there is some sort of assumption of relations between China and Japan.

The increasing seriousness of the position regarding Anglo-U.S. relations is demonstrated by the frequent charges against Britain in Congress, in the press and in public pro-MacArthur demonstrations throughout the country. These say that Britain is responsible for the MacArthur dismissal and manoeuvered President Truman into it because of General MacArthur's opposition to a British-sponsored movement to appease Communist China.

Industry Assured Raw Materials, Hollander Says

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — Mr. Herman Hollander, Director-General of the Ministry of Trade and Industry, today forecast a marked improvement in the supply situation here. He said that:

1) the textile industry, which has not had any fresh quotas of cotton since March, would get sufficient supplies to enable them to operate in three shifts throughout the summer. Shops will get large stocks before the end of the summer;
2) the shoe industry would get enough leather to enable production on an unprecedented scale, but how much of the output will go for the civilian market and how much for the armed forces and the ma'barot is still undecided; and
3) the chemicals and plastics industries will get enough raw materials for six months.

He also said the cotton-wool shortage would end next month; newsprint supplies for the daily press had been assured for a full year; wire for nails for six months; and supplies of black and white tin, aluminium and non-ferrous metals were on their way.

The Palestine Electric Corporation, which is installing a new generator designed to increase current by 50,000 kilowatts in 18 months, has been assured most of the materials needed for this year.

Negotiations were also proceeding for materials for "Lakol" furniture sufficient for many months and for paper for periodicals and books. It was also hoped that in the next few weeks large supplies of rolled iron and timber would be brought to increase supplies of those building materials to the level of cement output here.

Ministers holding economic portfolios will meet next week to formulate an export policy, Mr. Hollander disclosed. He said there were differences of opinion in the Government on the relative merits of trade agreements: barter or sales against foreign exchange.

Sharper Cabinet Struggle Follows Death of Bevin

By George Lichtheim, POST Correspondent

LONDON, Sunday. — The Government's position has been weakened, and the struggle for succession within the Cabinet sharpened, by the death of Mr. Bevin, which is treated here as an event of major significance. The customary tributes, although sincere and unusually heartfelt, do not conceal the fact that his departure has strengthened the Conservatives and aggravated the tensions within the Labour Party. Mr. Attlee, himself ailing and deprived of his most powerful supporter and closest personal friend within the Cabinet, is now less able to arbitrate in the struggle between the Morrison and the Bevan factions which last week nearly brought the Cabinet down. The trouble over the Budget is regarded as merely a foretaste of bigger events.

An election this year has become more probable and many Labour strategists now think it will not benefit the Conservatives who, during the preliminary discussion of the Budget, have already shown that they would go far in dismantling the Welfare State to pay for rearmament.

Abroad, Mr. Bevin's successor is now left freer to pursue the cautious zig-zag which has marked the first weeks of his tenure. One result has already been a slight rise of tension with the U.S. over policy towards China. British quarters are nettled by the State Department's public condemnation of the British Note suggesting that China should be associated with the Japanese peace treaty. This is regarded as an attempt to divert some of the Republican fury over MacArthur's dismissal towards Britain and take the heat off the Truman administration. It is also a setback for Mr. Morrison, and it seems there will be more such setbacks. Washington has no great faith in the Labour government's ability to maintain itself and suspects Mr. Morrison of playing to the gallery.

Among foreign tributes to Mr. Bevin, one that has attracted some notice was that of the Cairo radio which described him as "the man who understood Egypt." It is recalled here, however, that this understanding did not help towards securing a treaty. The current talks have already encountered some stiff obstacles and there is little optimism over the outcome. A solution widely canvassed here is to remove the bulk of the British garrison to Sinai if the Egyptians can be persuaded to agree. There is no sign of this and no sign that British military authorities have abandoned their preference for Akaba. The latter is regarded by influential critics as a bad choice both on political and on strategic grounds. It is therefore conjectured that Cairo had already refused to consider Sinai as an alternative. Altogether the atmosphere of the talks is something less than cordial. Israel alarm over the proposed expansion of the Egyptian army is today given a moderate amount of publicity in "The Observer." Other papers have so far failed to consider this subject.

C.o.L. Rises Five Points

The cost-of-living index for March, computed on the new basis, rose five points to 351, as against 346 in February and 340 in January, the Central Office of Statistics disclosed yesterday. It will be recalled that the new computation added 13 points to the December index of 324 which was calculated on the old basis.

The increase during March was due to a 10 per cent rise in the cost of "clothing and footwear," 12 per cent in the cost of "furnishings and household articles," and 6 per cent in "education and culture."

It was found, the report added discreetly, that consumers had had to pay more for a number of articles previously sold at "Lakol" prices.

Israel Disturbed At Offer to Egypt

LONDON, Sunday. — Israel army officers are seriously disturbed at the British offer to strengthen the Egyptian army, "The Observer's" Tel Aviv correspondent reported today.

Israel will inform Britain that Egypt is interested only in fighting Israel, and that she will not employ these arms in the defence of the Middle East itself.

According to the diplomatic correspondent of today's "Sunday Times," there is no likelihood of the withdrawal of British troops from the Suez Canal zone as long as the "unsettled state of affairs" in Persia and the Arab countries persists.

"The continuing absence of any clear-cut organization for the defence of the Middle East, and the prolonged delay in the announcement about the command of the Mediterranean within the North Atlantic Treaty framework are further good reasons for deferring any major changes in the disposition of British troops in the Middle East," the correspondent added.

(INA, Reuter)

Egypt's Conditions For Joining West

CAIRO, Sunday (UP).—Egypt will not join the Western defence system until her national aims are fulfilled and the Government will not nationalize the Suez Canal until 1968, Premier Nahas Pasha said, according to a report published today in the Wafdist newspaper, "Al Misri." Egypt takes control of the Suez Canal in 1968 according to the current treaties.

The usually well-informed newspaper "Al Ahram" said today that the new British proposals for revision of the Anglo-Egyptian Treaty are very remote from the Egyptian viewpoint. The Premier said in a formal statement that the British proposals will be revealed after Egypt's reply has been delivered in London.

First Two-Nation Atom Agreement

OSLO, Sunday (AP). — In a rare display of international co-operation in nuclear science, Norway and Holland today officially announced agreement for the joint operation of an atomic reactor for peaceful purposes.

Authority in Demilitarized Zone is Israel's — Sharett

Syria Accepts Four Conditions To Resume M.A.C. Meetings

The four prerequisites for the resumption of the meetings of the Israel-Syria Mixed Armistice Commission which were submitted to both parties by the Acting U.N. Chief of Staff have been accepted by the Syrian government, a U.N. release said last night. The Syrian acceptance was announced yesterday in a letter to Colonel B. L. de Ridder from the senior Syrian delegate to the MAC.

The letter followed an exchange of views between high Syrian officials and the Political Adviser to the Acting Chief of Staff, Mr. J. Rajasooria, the announcement said. The four prerequisites were accepted by Israel last week.

They call for the removal of all troops from the demilitarized area, the cessation of all "incidents," facilities for U.N. observers to carry out their work, and the reaffirmation of the right of the U.N. chairman of the M.A.C. to implement Article 5 of the Armistice Agreement.

Syrian Reservations

The Syrian delegate "reserved Syria's right" on questions such as the stoppage of work in the Huleh region, the return of the Arabs to their homes and the compensation for damages done to their houses and crops, the U.N. communique declared.

According to a Reuter report from Damascus, however, the Syrian delegate declared that Israel's acceptance of these three demands were a requisite for the resumption of the M.A.C. meetings. Colonel George Bossavy, chairman of the M.A.C., was also present at the conference, the report said.

According to the U.N. release, the Syrian delegate "voiced his country's readiness to take part in any emergency meeting convened by the chairman."

No Syrian military or para-military forces had entered the demilitarized zone or crossed the demarcation lines, the Syrian M.A.C. delegate claimed. He also requested that clarification was required concerning the kind of facilities and missions to be given to the U.N. Observers.

He noted that the Armistice Agreement defined only one demarcation line and indicated that Point 2 of the four points mentioned demarcation "lines." His country was ready to renew the confirmation of powers held by the chairman, the Syrian delegate said, according to the U.N. communique.

The present tension along the Israel-Syria armistice lines was the concern of all the Arab States, Colonel Adeeb Shishakli, the Syrian Deputy Chief of Staff, told a press conference yesterday.

They will take all the necessary steps to force the Jews to "respect" the armistice lines, he said.

Mass anti-Israel demonstrations are reported to have taken place in all Syrian towns yesterday, ANA reports. The Minister of the Interior, Sami Kabara, reportedly told a crowd that "the Arabs have lost the first round, but they will never lose the last one in Palestine."

Syria Thanks Pakistan

DAMASCUS, Sunday (Reuter). — Syrian Premier Khaled el Azzem yesterday thanked Pakistan Prime Minister Liaquat Ali Khan for condemning what he called Israel's marked aggression and pledging his country's support to Syria.

In a cable the Syrian Premier said that with the help and encouragement of friendly countries Syria would be "able to stop the aggressor in accordance with the truce agreement."

Premier Ali Khan yesterday sent a message to Syria declaring Pakistan's "wholehearted support" for Syria in her present dispute with Israel.

Guvrin Demarcation To Be Resumed

The demarcation of the lines in the Bet Guvrin area will be resumed tomorrow, it was decided by a sub-committee of the Israel-Jordan Mixed Armistice Commission.

The marking will be done by a mixed team of surveyors. The investigation will be continued at that time into last week's incident at Idna village when armed Jews were alleged to have entered Jordan-held territory.

The fact that Arab villagers in the central sector work land and graze flocks inside Israel was confirmed (and not approved, as reported yesterday) by the U.N., as Colonel de Ridder and U.N. Observers stated in a recent M.A.C. meeting after a mixed team had made an investigation in the area.

Election Committee To Meet Thursday

The first meeting of the Central Election Committee for the Second Knesset will take place under the Chairmanship of Justice Y. Olshan in the Tourist Office, Hakirya, at 11 a.m. on Thursday.

The committee appointed by the Government last month to draw up a social insurance bill met for the first time in Jerusalem last week. The meeting was attended by representatives of the Ministries of Health, Welfare, Labour and Finance.

Quiet Elections In Lebanon

BEIRUT, Sunday (UP). — Today's elections here were the quietest for a decade with the exception of minor clashes in the northern constituencies. (Two were killed in Beirut yesterday, however.).

Counting has already begun, and observers predict that Beirut heads the polling list with a 60 per cent turnout.

Bunche Cited In F.M. Statement

TEL AVIV, Sunday.—Israel's stand on the recent incidents in the demilitarized zones of the Huleh and El Hamma areas was outlined by Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett here today, addressing a conference of local and foreign pressmen. In a prepared statement, Mr. Sharett said:

The series of incidents on the Israel-Syrian border, provoked by initial acts of armed violence on Syria's part, has given rise to mutual charges and counter-charges which have formed the subject of formal complaints to the Security Council. The Government of Israel finds it important to stress the essential aspects of the problem, the bearing of which upon the observance of the Israel-Syrian Armistice Agreement is decisive. These aspects are two: first, the legitimacy of the Huleh drainage work, and second, Israel's administrative authority in the demilitarized zone.

On both counts, it is essential to refer to the relevant provisions of the Armistice Agreement, as well as to the explanatory letters of the Acting Mediator, Dr. Ralph Bunche, which both parties, in signing the agreement, accepted as its authoritative interpretations.

Article V of the Armistice Agreement provides "for the gradual restoration of the normal civilian life in the demilitarized zone," Dr. Bunche, in his letter, gives further point to this provision through the assurance "that the demilitarized zone will not be a vacuum or waste-land, and that normal civilian life under normal local civilian administration and policing will be operative in the zone."

Huleh History

No stretch of definition would exclude economic development from the scope of "normal civilian life." In the factual context of the issue, it could not but be abundantly clear to all concerned that the work of agricultural reclamation was a cardinal feature of the civilian life of the area. Moreover, the history of the Huleh concession and the indictment of the Mandatory administration for neglecting this vital scheme of reclamation and sanitation were fully set forth in the evidence presented to the United Nations Special Committee on Palestine to which Dr. Bunche himself was secretary. Even without such express reference, no one with the slightest familiarity with the region could have remained unaware of this outstanding and imperative project, the execution of which had so long been one of the urgent necessities of public health and national agriculture for the whole region.

To invoke the Armistice Agreement as a barrier to the progress of this development scheme is to interpret the agreement into its very opposite and generally to reduce it to an absurdity. The Armistice Agreement, according to its very terms, "shall remain in force until a peaceful settlement between the parties is achieved." The United Nations has not so far been able to induce the Arab states to conclude peace with Israel.

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SOLDIER KILLED BY MINE

An 22-year-old soldier was fatally injured when he stepped on a mine in Jerusalem on Friday it was learned last night.

The soldier was one of a party who were attempting to round up a flock of sheep that had crossed the lines. Arab shepherds and members of the Arab Legion opened fire on the party but no one was hurt.

Progress on Schuman Plan

PARIS, Sunday (Reuter). — Progress was made yesterday by the six Foreign Ministers of the Schuman coal and steel pool nations, when compromise proposals were drafted to meet Benelux demands for equal representation on the high authority to direct the pool.

Originally it was proposed to have only five members of the high authority chosen without reference to national consideration, but the Belgians in particular strongly objected to a system that risked leaving them without a representative.

The compromise formula considered last night proposed seven members; one for each participating country, and a chairman to be chosen by the six. This system, it is proposed, shall operate for the so-called transition period of five years before the free market covering the six nations is finally established.

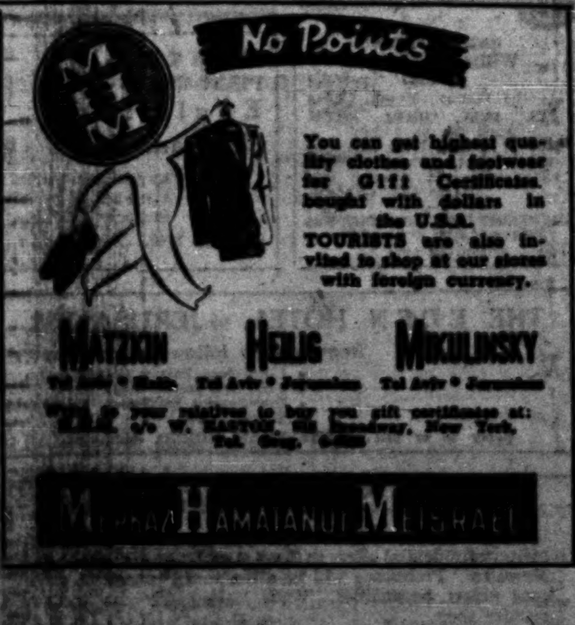
Another compromise proposal provided, according to sources close to the Schuman conference, that instead of giving the French and German ministers on the Pool Council of Ministers two votes each and the other four one vote each, all six ministers should have only one vote. This would apply only to what were described as "ordinary" decisions.

For so-called "important" decisions, the ministers would have voting powers in proportion to their countries' coal and steel production. This arrangement is also to apply to the transition period only.

TROUBLE REPORTS FROM BOLIVIA

BUENOS AIRES, Sunday, (Reuter).—Reports of an abortive plot and a number of arrests in Bolivia reached here, as Dr. Victor Paz Estensoro, long exiled presidential candidate, took off for La Paz, Bolivia capital.

Dr. Paz, leader of the Nationalist Revolutionary Movement, will stand for the presidency in next month's general elections. He left Bolivia after the 1946 revolt, when President Gualberto Villarroel was hanged from a lamp-post.



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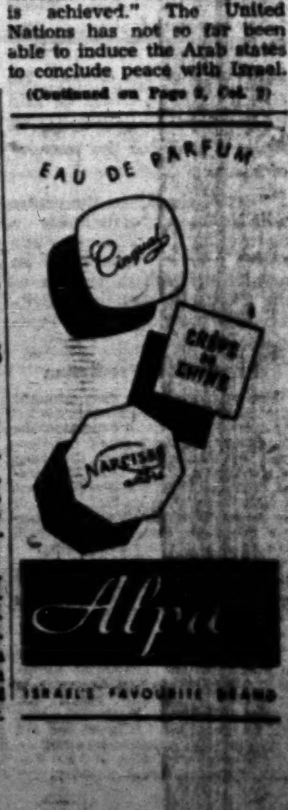

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Social & Personal

The Foreign Minister and Mrs. Sharett and the U.S. Ambassador and Mrs. Davis were luncheon guests on Saturday of the President and Mrs. Weizmann in Rehovot.

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The Dutch Minister to Israel, Jonkheer M.P.M. Van Karnebeek, and Mrs. Karnebeek called on Saturday on the President of the Hebrew University, Professor S. Brodetsky.

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The marriage of General Sir Alan Cunningham, High Commissioner for Palestine at the termination of the Mandate, and Margery Lady Snagge, took place in London on April 5.

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Dr. Avraham Nissan, Minister to Norway, has been inscribed in the Golden Book of the Jewish National Fund by the Norwegian Jewish community to mark the presentation of Dr. Nissan's letters of credence to King Haakon VII.

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A garden party for the benefit of the Association of World War II Invalids was given yesterday by Mrs. Zippora Sharett at her home in Tel Binyamin.

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The Research Council of Israel gave a dinner at the Touring Club in Jerusalem last night for Sir Robert and Lady Robinson.

Sir Robert Robinson, F.R.I.C., F.R.S., Professor of Chemistry at Oxford University, will lecture (in English) under the auspices of the Hebrew University on "The Identification and Distribution of Anthocyanins" in the Faculty of Science, Mamilla Rd., (4th floor), Jerusalem, at 11.30 a.m. today.

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Dr. Y. Wolfsberg has left for the U.S. for the Department of Education and Culture of the World Zionist Organization. Dr. Wolfsberg will lecture on questions of religious and Zionist education.

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Dr. Martha Elliot, Deputy Director-General of the World Health Organization, has left Israel by El Al. Dr. Elliot spent a week in Israel visiting health institutions.

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Mr. Silva Steigrad, Vice-President of the Zionist Federation of Australia and New Zealand, has arrived in Israel and is staying at the Sharon Hotel.

Dr. Cecil Roth, Reader in Jewish Studies at Oxford University, will lecture (in Hebrew) under the auspices of the Hebrew University on "The Divine Comedy of Emanuel of Rome and its Historic Background," at Terra Sancta College, Room 22, at 8 p.m. today. The public is invited.

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Prof. Harold C. Urey, as a guest of the Hebrew Institute of Technology, will lecture on his new theory on the primitive state of the earth, at the Institute, on Tuesday, April 17, at 8 p.m.

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Mrs. Antoinette Leavy, of the Bell Telephone Company, who has arrived in Israel to instruct telephone operators will lecture at 6.30 this evening in the General Post Office building in Jerusalem. This lecture is the first of a series for telephone operators in private exchanges.

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MARRIAGE
TEKOAH — VARDI

The marriage took place in Tel Aviv yesterday of Mr. Yosef Tekoah, of the Legal Department of the Foreign Ministry, to Miss Ruth Vardi, also of the Foreign Ministry.

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EXPRESSION OF THANKS

Mrs. Sophie Landau and Dr. Eva Kirstein, of Tel Aviv, wish to thank all those who expressed sympathy on the death of their beloved husband and father, Dr. Paul Landau.

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Hesse's Restaurant and Bar, Jerusalem, will be closed tomorrow night (owing to a private party), also on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday throughout the day and will re-open on Saturday, April 21, for dinner. (Advt.)

Cultural Centre Named For President's Son

TIBERIAS, Sunday. — The cornerstone for a cultural centre, dedicated to the memory of Michael Weizmann, the President's son who fell in World War II, was laid today at Kfar Hanasi in Upper Galilee (near Mahanayim) in the presence of Mrs. Vera Weizmann and many guests from Israel and overseas. The President was unable to attend because of illness. He sent a letter in which he said that a cultural centre was a fitting tribute to the memory of his son.

"Bet Michael," as the centre will be known, will house a lecture hall, a library, study rooms, guest quarters, an archive to contain records of the Zionist Movement in Britain and the writings of President Weizmann.

President's Prediction

Mr. Sigmund Gestetner brought the greetings of the British Zionist Federation, which is providing the funds for the erection of the Centre. Mr. H. Landeman, Chairman of the Upper Galilee District Council, recalled how the President, on a visit to Daphne in 1945, spoke of the creation of the State, expressing the hope that he would still live to see it come into being.

Among the visitors were Sir Leon Simon, member of the Hebrew University's Board of Governors, and members of the British and Australian legations.

Kfar Hanasi was founded by members of the Habonim Movement from Britain and Australia in June 1948, while the battle for nearby Mishmar Hayarden was still in progress. It now has 170 members who, besides engaging in agriculture, on an area of 3,500 dunams, operate a brass foundry.

Sharett Statement

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At the last session of the Assembly a resolution calling upon the parties to enter into direct peace negotiations fell through, and the text adopted left the door wide open for the Arab states to continue their evasive and obstructive tactics in regard to a final settlement. Under these circumstances, to adjudge some action as inadmissible under the Armistice is tantamount to relegating it to the Greek callends. The U.N. never intended the Armistice Agreement to serve as a brake on economic progress and as a means of buttressing up stagnation and perpetuating waste and pestilence.

Syria's Motives

It is significant that work on the Huleh drainage and reclamation scheme had proceeded for months without the slightest demur on the part of the Syrian authorities until in March they suddenly decided to take the law into their hands against it. The reason for such an abrupt and violent change of attitude could not have stemmed from the course of the work itself. The determination of its real nature must be left to the Syrian government which is better versed than anyone else in its own political and parliamentary vicissitudes.

As to the second question, the following texts in the documents cited appear to be relevant:

(1) The provision already quoted about the restoration of normal civilian life (Article V 2 of the Armistice Agreement);

(2) The specification of the functions of the Chairman of the Mixed Armistice Commission concerning the demilitarized zone as limited to authorizing the return of civilians to the zone and the employment in it of local civilian police (Article V 5 of the Armistice Agreement);

(3) A more specific injunction bearing upon the Chairman's functions, contained in Dr. Bunche's note of June 26, 1949, which reads:

> The Chairman of the Mixed Armistice Commission, in consultation and cooperation with the local communities, will be in a position to authorise all necessary arrangements for the restoration and protection of civilian life. He will not assume responsibility for direct administration of the zone.

(4) The terms "Israeli" and "local Arab" used in that note in regard to the civil administration and policing to be authorized in the demilitarized zone — not "Israeli" and "Syrian," nor "Jewish" and "Arab," but "Israeli" and "local Arab."

(5) The emphatic statement contained in Dr. Bunche's letter to both parties on June 26, 1949, in the following terms:

> ...from the beginning of these negotiations our greatest difficulty has been to meet Israel's unqualified demand that Syrian forces be withdrawn from Palestine. We have now, with very great effort, persuaded the Syrians to agree to this.

(6) The reference by Dr. Bunche, in his letter of June 26, 1949, to the arrangements made in the territory which came under the jurisdiction of Israel as a result of the Israel-Jordan Armistice Agreement as setting a precedent for the demilitarised zone in the case of the Israel-Syrian Armistice Agreement.

No Vacuum

If all these formulations are taken as designed to form a coherent whole, as they obviously must be, the following inferences unmistakably emerge:

(1) There is to be no administrative or jurisdictional vacuum in the demilitarized zone;

(2) The administrative authority in the demilitarized zone is not to be vested in the Chairman of the Mixed Armistice Commission; the chairman is to ensure the restoration of normal civilian life but he is not authorised to interfere in its normal course;

(3) No Syrian authority is to have any locus standi whatsoever in any part of the demilitarized zone;

(4) The administrative authority in the demilitarized zone is to be an Israel authority which is to include or to be supplemented by a local Arab element for such Arab villagers as may be found in the zone;

(5) The analogy drawn by Dr. Bunche between the administrative set-up existing in the territory taken over by Israel under the terms of the Armistice Agreement with Jordan and the regime to be instituted in the demilitarized zone on the Syrian border clinches the point about the jurisdiction of Israel in that area.

On the question of sovereignty our position is clear and, we believe, unassailable. The area in question did not start its existence as no-man's-land. It was always part and parcel of British Mandated territory. On May 14, 1948, it automatically came under the sovereignty of Israel. It was subsequently invaded by Syrian forces. That invasion was terminated by the Armistice Agreement. Thereupon the area automatically reverted to the sovereignty of Israel. Whoever disputes this basic position has to produce proofs to the contrary. In trying to do so he cannot invoke the Armistice Agreement, for it avowedly refrains from entering into the whole question of sovereignty which remains *ultra vires* as far as the Armistice Agreement is concerned.

In conclusion, the Government of Israel would like to reaffirm its strict adherence to the Armistice Agreement with Syria. As long as that agreement remains valid, the Government will pursue with equal determination the fulfilment of Israel's own obligations under it and the defence of Israel's rights and interests guaranteed by it. Faithful implementation by all concerned, under the aegis of the United Nations, of the provisions of the Armistice Agreement in the letter as well as in the spirit is the only way of restoring peace to the troubled area and of maintaining in it stable conditions of undisturbed security, without detriment to the requirements of normal progress.

Convening M.A.C.

The Government of Israel is prepared for the examination of the entire issue at the Security Council. At the same time it has expressed to the U.N. Acting Chief of Staff its concern for the immediate preservation of law and order along the Syrian border, and has urged him to take immediate steps to convene the Mixed Armistice Commission. Israel will, as in the past, cooperate fully with the Mixed Armistice Commission in the settlement of such disputes as may arise out of the implementation of the Armistice Agreement. The Government of Israel has accepted the four points laid down by Col. De Ridder as a preliminary to the convening of the Mixed Armistice Commission and will continue to use every endeavour to settle matters of disagreement by peaceful means. It expects an expression of the same readiness on the part of the Syrian Government.

Amplifying his statement, Mr. Sharett said that the Syrians had made repeated attempts to alter the international boundary, first by military conquest, and then by efforts to retain command of the area under the Armistice. They were now trying to undermine Israel's sovereignty by obstructing normal development work.

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Room for More Workers, Cargo Turnover in Port

HAIFA, Sunday.—Haifa port authorities took exception today to the statement made by the Haifa Labour Council and the dock workers' union yesterday that "the port's facilities do not permit a substantial increase in the number of dockers."

The statement was part of an appeal to Haifa port workers to raise their output and to speed up the off-loading of essential foodstuffs from ships now in port before Passover.

Fourteen ships are now awaiting discharge of their cargo in and outside the harbour. Consignments of meat and eggs are expected to be off-loaded in time for Passover.

The fact was, the port authorities said in a letter to the dockers' union, that the cargo handling turnover of Haifa port could be raised by another 2,000 tons daily and that there was room for another 600 to 700 workers.

No Skilled Workers

If no additional men were engaged, the letter said, it was due to the lack of skilled workers. The port authorities welcomed however the appeal to the dockers for greater output.

Yesterday, the dock workers were informed that their new labour agreement granted them a net wage rise of 20 per cent, and an additional four per cent contribution by their employers, the port service companies, for "social conditions." The agreement is retroactive to January 1, 1951. The negotiations dragged on for many weeks until at the beginning of this month the dockers speeded up the talks by slowing down their working pace.

Elath May Get Police Station

BEERSHEBA, Sunday. — The Minister of Police, Mr. Behor Shitreet, and the Inspector-General of Police, Mr. Y. Sachar, today inspected the Beersheba police station. They were en route to Elath where they are to investigate the practicability of setting up a police post.

Ladies Get Their First Nylons

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — Long queues of housewives formed outside ladies' clothing stores today, as word spread that nylon stockings were being sold at official prices.

Each woman received one pair, manufactured locally, against 710 pruta and coupons. But stocks did not last for all who called, since shops received only a few dozen pairs. This was the first nylon hose distribution since clothes rationing began last July.

ON THE AIR

JERUSALEM: 307 M.; HAIFA: 249 M.
TEL AVIV: 43.8, 38.2 & 522 M.:

NEWS: Hebrew: 7 a.m., 1.30 p.m., 6, 8.30 and 10.25 p.m.; English: 2 and 10.15 p.m.; Arabic Programme (including News): 8 a.m., 2.15 and 7.15 p.m.; French: 3 p.m.

6.30 a.m. Service. 6.35 Exercises. 6.45 Musical Clock (R). 7.15 Melodies. 7.15 Oriental Music (R). 8.30 Close Down.

10.00 a.m. Morning Concert (R). 10.30 Music of the People (R). 11.00 Concert Hall: Overture "Coriolan" (Beethoven); Violin Concerto (Mozart); Symphony No. 98 (Haydn). 12.00 N. Popular Loan Drawing (Broadcast from "Eden" Cinema, Jerusalem). 1.45 Housewives' Corner. 2.15 Close Down.

4.00 p.m. Programme for Yemenites. 4.20 Oriental Music: E. Aharon. 4.35 Vocal Recital: Irina Maistrovoi. 5.00 Variety (R). 5.30 Child's Corner. 5.45 Interlude. 5.50 Agricultural Corner. 6.15 "Echoes of the Week:" by D. Sher. 6.30 Children's Hour. 7.00 "From Worker to Worker:" Talk. 7.45 Bible Reading. 8.00 Soldiers' Programme. 8.45 Recital: Eli Goren & Doreen Stanfield: Sonata (Beethoven). 9.15 Eugene O'Neill's "Two Plays" by R. Grossman-Avinoam. 10.00 Songs (R). 10.30 Recital: Sascha Parnes, Moshe Lustig & Sophia Kusiatina: Works by Tchaikowsky. 11.00 Songs (R). 11.15 Close Down.

Immigrants' Hour (33.3 M.): 7.00 p.m. Yiddish; 7.20 p.m. Ladino; 7.40 p.m. French.

Kol Zion Lagola (33.3 M.): 11.15 M. Newsreel. 11.30 Israel Folk Dances. 11.45 Hebrew for Beginners: by Dr. A. Rosen.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS (31.32 and 24.92 M.): 7.30 News. 7.40 News Talk. 7.45 Questions & Answers.

ARMY PROGRAMMES (290, 224 & 44.6 M.): 6.30 p.m. Programme Announcements. 6.33 Classical Request Programme. 7.30 Today's Events. 7.35 Weekly Interview by D. Rivlin. 7.50 Interlude. 8.00 Soldiers' Programme. 8.30 News. 8.40 Interlude. 8.45 Army Quiz. 9.15 Dance Music. 10.00 Close Down.

AT THE CINEMA

"THE Fan" (Orion, Jerusalem), is an up-to-date Hollywood version of Oscar Wilde's "Lady Windermere's Fan," whose premiere performance took place in London about 60 years ago.

The film is presented as a story within a story. A fan from a blitzed London house is offered for sale during a post-war auction and is claimed by an old lady who turns out to be none other than Mrs. Erlynne, still alive and looking as if she had stepped out of Wilde's play. To prove her identity, she introduces another character from the play, Lord Darlington, and then comes the flash-back to Wilde's immortal creation.

The pity is that so much priceless dialogue was cut because of the amazing American custom of rewriting, changing, mutilating, if not "atomizing," the style and colour of any manuscript. We are deprived of matchless epigrams, such as "I can resist everything except temptation," or "A cynic is a man who knows the price of everything and the value of nothing." It seems to have been more than the Hays Office could stand.

Some of those brilliant fireworks sparkled even in the screen version. The most authentic Wilde character was portrayed by Georges Sanders (Lord Darlington), followed by Madeleine Carrol's Mrs. Erlynne. Lord and Lady Windermere are well interpreted by Richard Greene and Jeanne Crain.

Literary Offerings

WITH Jean Cocteau and Oscar Wilde showing simultaneously in Jerusalem this week, things could hardly be more satisfactory from a literary point of view.

"La Belle et la Bête" (Edison) is Jean Cocteau's inimitable rendering of Mme. Leprince de Beaumont's 18th Century fairy tale "Beauty and the Beast." The film opens with a characteristic profile of Jean Cocteau while his hand chalks the names of the cast on the screen. Lovely Josette Day plays the blonde beauty who comes to love the Beast despite his awesome appearance. As in most of Cocteau's pictures, Jean Marais is the leading male, playing the triple role of the Beast, Avenant and Ardent (Prince Charming).

Cocteau, who wrote, directed and produced the film, heightens the fantastic atmosphere with all kinds of surrealistic touches; flambeaux of human arms that light the wayfarer along his path, decorative heads that blink, and gloves that smoke. It is an unusually captivating picture throughout with fascinating decors by the late Christian Berard. Georges Auric wrote an inspired score with choral sequences. We are now waiting for three more Cocteau pictures in this country: "The Eagle has two heads," "Les Parents Terribles" and "Orpheus."

Three and a Girl

"PLEASE Believe Me" (Eden, Jerusalem) is about a girl (Deborah Kerr), a driver during the Second World War, who learns in London that she has inherited a gigantic ranch in Texas. She crosses the ocean on a luxury liner, wooed by a trio composed of Peter Lawford, looking like the eternal college boy; crook Robert Walker (looking like a somnambulist;) and Mark Stevens.

After arriving in New York, attractive Deborah and her suite learn that the ranch is completely worthless. The trouble starts, especially as she already owes about $6,000. But in accordance with the orthodox Hollywood rule, there is a happy ending to maintain the audience's morale.

FRANGO

First Reports Of Utrecht Display Good

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — According to first reports received by the Fashions Section of the Manufacturers Association, considerable interest was shown in Israel fashions exhibited at the Utrecht Fair.

A large number of summer and "between-the-seasons" frocks, suits, coats, knitwear and fur coats, produced by 60 manufacturers, were shown at the Fair in what Dr. E. Justic, head of the Department, termed an extremely well-situated pavilion.

Last week, leading Dutch newspapers printed long stories and pictures of Israel fashions, and many inquiries about prices and terms have resulted. The Fair has now closed, and the exhibits will be shown in other European cities, after which, supplemented and exchanged, the display will be taken to Canada for exhibition.

YUGOSLAVS TO TEACH ISRAEL FISHERMEN

BELGRADE, Sunday (UP). — A team of experts from Croatia are to go to Israel, at the invitation of the Israel Government, to demonstrate methods used by Yugoslav fishermen on the Adriatic sea, Tanjug News Agency has reported.

U.S. Orders Israel Art Objects

About $50,000 worth of Israel *objets d'art* have been ordered during the past few weeks from the United States after an initial shipment of these items had been successfully received there.

Efforts are being made to send a shipment to England. Among the products to be displayed in London will be metal, silver and textile wares, and ceramic objects.

Ben Yosseff Poem To Be Put To Music

A IL.50 prize is being offered for choral arrangement of one of five songs by Zvi Ben Yosseff, the composer who fell in the defence of Kfar Etzion.

Participants in the competition may procure a copy of one of the five poems with the original piano accompaniment from Mr. M. Hillman, 6 Rehov Sa'adia Gaon, Jerusalem. The final day for entries is May 15. The judges are Messrs Frank Pelleg, S. Kaplan and J. Admon.

PERMIT. — The Argentine Government has given Sopromitis, the Argentine affiliate of HIAS, permits for 300 European Jews.

All But Two Fall At National

The 105th running of the Grand National steeplechase classic at Aintree last Saturday turned into a jumping nightmare as 34 horses fell or lost their riders and only three finished. One of them, a re-mount Nickel Coin, a 9-year-old black mare which cost owner Jeffery Royal 55 guineas (IL.57.750) won the four-mile 856 yard race by six lengths from Mrs. M. Keogh's Irish horse, Royal Tan. Jockey Tony Power had been thrown clear about one mile from home, but remounted Patrick Digney's Derrinstown, another Irish entry, and brought him home third, almost two minutes after the first two horses finished.

Nickel Coin paid 40 to 1, Royal Tan started at 22 to 1, and Derrinstown, at 66 to 1. Jock Whitney's Arctic Gold left the starting post an 8 to 1 favourite but came to grief at the eighth fence, by which time most of the popular horses had gone too. Freebooter, the 1950 winner, fell at the second fence when he jumped on top of Fallen Gallery. Thirty-one horses fell the first time around the triangular course, leaving only five to tackle the second circuit.

SHIPS IN HAIFA PORT ON SUNDAY

Caterina Madre, It., Cement. **Yafo**, Is., Mixed Cargo. **Vikingland**, Sw., Gen. Cargo. **Bengazi**, Nor., Loading Citrus. **Tsfonit**, Is., Loading Citrus. **Bulgaria**, Bul., Cement. **Shark**, Tur., Red-Cross Cargo. **Debrecen**, Hun., Dura, Cement. **Carbonelo A.**, It., Wood. **Nasim**, Tur., Barley. **Mardin**, Tur., Bagged Cargo, Gen. Cargo. **Montrediste**, It., Gen. Cargo. **Hashlosha**, Is., Compl. Unloading. **Yozgat**, Tur., Wheat. **Exiliona**, U.S., Mixed Cargo. **Galilah**, Is., Being Repaired. **Sardegna**, It., Wood. **Marios II**, Gr., Sea-Grass. **St. Antonio**, It., Being Repaired. **Orchidea**, It., Waiting to Offload. **Trakia**, Bul., Compl. Unloading. **Dobroudja**, Bul., Household Effects. **Hamered**, Is., Carobs. **Barbaros**, Tur., Cement. **Carlotta**, It., Wood.

SHIPS EXPECTED

15.4 **Uffington Court**, Gen. Cargo. **Kokaal**, Cement. **Uzuner**, Cement. **Baalbek**, Chemical Fertiliser, Fruit. **Siwa**, Fruit, Conserves. **Brigitte Skou**, Fish, Gen. Cargo. **Karamement**, Wood. **Kokaeli**, Eggs. **Rio Gallegos**, Frozen Meat.

16.4 **Komemiut**, Gen. Cargo Cement. **Ukgur**, Wood.

17.4 **M. Dizengoff**, Gen. Cargo. Wood.

18.4 **Vatnajoekull**, Fish. **Alasahir**, Dura.

20.4 **Alaska Bear**, Gen. Cargo, Paper. **Coruh**, Dura. **Champollion**, Immigrants, Tourists.

25.4 **Thetis**, Wood, Gen. Cargo. **Palestine Prince**, Gen. Cargo.

EMERGENCY PHARMACIES

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Notices to the Public

ELECTIONS TO THE SECOND KNESSET
Voters' Roster

Any resident who has not informed or fails to inform the Residents' Registry Bureau by April 30, 1951 of change of address will be included in the elections roster as living at the address now appearing in the Registry.

New immigrants who arrived in this country on or before March 1, 1951, and have so far failed to inform the Residents' Registry Bureau (local station) of his permanent address or who will fail to do so by April 30, 1951, *will not be included in the voters' roster at all.*

This Notice does not affect voters who on April 30, 1951, live in immigrants hostels or camps. Special arrangements will be made in their case and a special announcement will be published.

Residents' Registry Department.

Where to Go

JERUSALEM

9-1; 3-6: Retrospective Exhibition: Albert Marquet (1875-1947); Exhibit of the Month: Small silver jewel casket from Ferrara; Bezalel Museum.
10-1; 4-7: Exhibition of Ten; Artists' House.

TEL AVIV

10-1; 3-7: Exhibition of works by Naomi Shemi (Schmit), Katz Gallery, 97 Rehov Dizengoff.
10-4: Works by Israel Artists; Tel Aviv Museum.
8.30 p.m.: "Tartuffe:" Chamber Theatre; Mograbi Hall.
8.45 p.m.: "Special Appeal:" Li-La-Lo, Jascha Heifetz Hall.

HAIFA

8 a.m.-5.30 p.m.: Theological and Scientific Library — Central Synagogue Bldg., Rehov Gilad.
10-1; 4-6: Municipal Museum, 9 Hassan Shukri Street.
10-12; 4-8: Paintings by Moshe Mokady; Histadrut Hall, Rehov Keller, Mt. Carmel.

Jerusalem Cinemas

At 3, 7, 9 p.m.

EDEN: Please Believe Me.
EDISON: La Belle et la Bete. Today at 10 a.m.: Children's Show.
ORION: The Fan.
SEMADAR: My Wild Irish Rose (7 & 9 p.m.).
STUDIO: The Black Narcissus.
ZION: Colorado Territory (3.30, 7, 9 p.m.).

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Tickets: Schlesinger & Springer, 2 Rehov Nahlat Binyamin
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Rokoko, Dizengoff Square,
Parnassus, 34 Rothschild Blvd. (11-1).

THE ISRAEL BALLET THEATRE
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GALA OPENING
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Today's POST BAG

THE WEATHER

Mt. Cana'an	21	17	27	22
Haifa	[illegible]	18	23	27
Hakirya	[illegible]	11	27	25
Lydda	[illegible]	14	[illegible]	26
Jerusalem	20	20	[illegible]	22

FORECAST: Mainly cloudy until early afternoon; then partly cloudy. Pleasant in comparison to yesterday.

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200 olive trees and 300 vines were cut down by marauders in the Negev last week. ...... 180 metres of rubber tubing were stolen from a kibbutz in the same area. ...... A horse and mule were stolen from a third Negev settlement.

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For failing to register for military service, Hanah Avisar, 19, of Tel Aviv, was fined IL.75 by the Tel Aviv Magistrate's Court yesterday. For blinding his neighbour in one eye during an argument, David Zin, 38, of 14 Rehov Mizrahi, was sentenced to one year in prison by the Tel Aviv District Court yesterday.

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A guard in the outskirts of Jerusalem exchanged shots with a group of marauders early yesterday morning.

Remez Contemplates Hebraization Bill

The Ministry of Education and Culture is contemplating legislation to make the addition of a Hebrew text compulsory on all signboards and public notices written in a foreign language, Mr. David Remez announced in Jerusalem yesterday afternoon. He was speaking at the opening of the five-day seminar for teachers which is being held at the Rehavia Gymnasium.

Mr. Remez added that, realizing the many and various difficulties of the new immigrants he did not think that Hebrew should be made compulsory for every resident at this stage, but the thought it only fair that those accepted for Government, municipal or other public office should be required to pass an examination in Hebrew after one year.

To alleviate the grave shortage of teachers the Government intends to open concentrated teachers' training courses for new immigrant teachers of whom some 2,000 have arrived in Israel in recent months. Those showing a special aptitude will be able to obtain Government loans for maintaining themselves and their families during their training period. During the summer vacation special teachers' training courses will be arranged for others as well.

The number of elementary school pupils this year is as high as 190,000, Mr. Remez added. Of these 40,000 are immigrant children. In addition there are 60,000 kindergarten pupils, 20,000 of them new immigrant children, and 25,000 are Arab pupils. The total number of elementary and kindergarten teachers is 11,000.

As in his address to the Knesset last week, Mr. Remez warned strongly against the unbridled expansion of the foreign language press, which seriously hampers the process of the ingathering of the exiles to become one people.

10 Factories Face Closure

Ten more factories handling food have been issued warnings to improve the quality of their products or face closure, Mr. Zvi Lehman, chief of the Control Department in the Ministry of Agriculture, said last night in Jerusalem.

Recalling that eight other factories had been warned last week, Mr. Lehman declared that in the four weeks that his branch had been operating 150 major inspections of food and beverage plants had been made in addition to 50 organizations handling milk and dairy products. The latter group, he said, had been given a clean bill of health because of generally high standards.

Mr. Lehman cited one factory that manufactures pudding powder which substituted saccharine for sugar, a jam factory that put neither sugar nor saccharine into its product, and a soup powder plant that used mainly salt and artificial colouring.

He added that certain organizations handling vegetables had been warned to remove the dirt, which often amounts to 15 per cent of the total weight. He also said that some factories producing animal fodder had added five per cent earth to the imported fodder.

In Beersheba, Mr. Lehman added, several butcher shops had been warned to clean their premises.

RATION NEWS

ALL DISTRICTS: The first ration of six eggs to all persons under the new scheme, will be distributed between April 15 and 23. The ration will comprise four fresh and two storage eggs. Consumers are advised to use the storage eggs first.

JERUSALEM: Live fish, 100 grams; frozen [illegible] fish, 100 grams, Tlush 7. Live chicken, 300 grams, [illegible] 8. Onions, 300 grams, Pch 28, zones 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8. Bananas, 300 grams, Pch 25. Scallions, 100 grams, [illegible], zone 10. Supplementary ration cards for manual workers will be distributed in the Histadrut Building, Jerusalem, between 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. today and tomorrow.

Butchers End Strike; Meat for Passover

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — Meat rations for Passover were assured today when the Butchers Association called off the country-wide strike which began this morning, following a meeting with Government representatives in Jerusalem at noon today.

The slaughterers will resume work tomorrow morning, and distribution of the ration of 175 grams per person will begin here on Tuesday.

A total of 700 head of cattle await slaughter in the slaughterhouse here for Tel Aviv residents.

A spokesman of the Butchers Union told *The POST* this evening that they had been informed by Dr. Picker, Deputy Food Controller, that the Minister of Agriculture, Mr. P. Lavon, had undertaken to deal personally with the demands of the butchers and to give a reply by May 15.

The butchers claim that the present system, whereby each shop has an average of 1,000 customers, gives them a net profit of only IL.6 per week. They are requesting an increase in meat prices from 375 pruta per kilo to 450 pruta. This, they say, would give them a reasonable profit and cost the customer only some 25 pruta more per family each week.

Second Seder In J'lem for Tourists

A traditional second *seder* for visitors from abroad will take place at the Israel Touring Club in Jerusalem at 8 p.m. on April 21.

Tickets are available at the Tourist Information Office, 5 Rehov Ben Yehuda. A special service will take place at the Yeshurun Synagogue in Jerusalem at 9 a.m. on April 22.

Hotel Residents To Move for Tourists

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — With hotel accommodation at a premium all over the country, permanent residents of grade four hotels have been ordered by the Government Tourist Department to move out, to make room for tourists. Not all have moved yet for the simple reason that they cannot find alternative living quarters, but pressure is reportedly being exerted.

The Caterers Association told *The Post* today that no extra food rations will be distributed to hotels for Passover week, and as from tomorrow, only "foreign exchange" establishments will receive eggs for tourist breakfasts. This is in line with the new egg distribution system according to which every resident will get 20 eggs a month.

A small distribution of hotel equipment was made at the end of last week, including dusters, floor cloths, and electric bulbs.

Demand for Increases

The Association also reported that an Inter-Ministerial Committee, consisting of the Ministers of Finance, Agriculture and Trade and Industry, will decide this week on the price increases for hotel accommodation and restaurant meals proposed by the industry.

To concentrate the imports and distribution of materials which the trade will receive out of foreign exchange allocations, and to handle the foreign exchange they will receive out of their dollar earnings, the caterers have founded a special organization, called "Israel Caterers Supply Co."

According to a new arrangement to be announced shortly, hotels and restaurants will be permitted to retain 10 per cent of their foreign exchange earnings for the purchase of replacement materials.

Ma'bara For Elath Area

The establishment of a *ma'bara* at Elath was decided upon at a meeting of the Jewish Agency Executive in Jerusalem yesterday, Mr. Berl Locker was in the chair.

Mr. M. Braginsky spoke on the problems connected with the project, and it was decided to make the Settlement Department responsible for the selection of settlers.

A committee was also elected to prepare suggestions on the future of the National Funds which will be brought before the Zionist Congress.

The luxury liner, s.s. Atlantic will visit Israel on Thursday and Friday during its Mediterranean cruise. It was last here in February.

Some T.A. Water Rates Raised; Council Calls for Conservation

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — To cover the increased expenditures of the Water Department the Municipal Council today decided to raise rates for citizens who have boilers in their apartments, for offices and commercial enterprises, and for the building trade. Flats with boilers will now pay at the rate of 250 pruta per room (instead of the former 200, offices 350 (instead of 300) and the building trade will pay 200 pruta per cubic metre.

In a debate which took the better part of the three-hour session, councillors stressed the need to conserve water after the winter's drought, and maintained that much water was being wasted through carelessness and the difficulty in having repairs made. Mayor Rokach stated that by means of "a kind of radar equipment," the municipal water department was checking the mains at night to find leaks.

Water meters would help conserve water, but it was impossible at the moment to find 100,000 such meters, since the country's only factory at Kibbutz Dalia had no materials.

Cheap Water

The Mayor said that in Tel Aviv water was still cheaper than in any other town. If waste was caused by the people's inability to get plumbers or by plumbers charging exorbitant prices, then the Municipality would consider supervising repairs or carrying them out itself, he said.

As the debate continued, it became apparent that the Council would be unable to meet the Passover deadline for concluding the budget debate despite the fact that sittings will be held each day this week. The debate on the income of the budget was completed tonight, but the expenditure figures and the special development budget have yet to be dealt with.

The last item on income—that of government grants totalling IL.2,360,000—was debated tonight, but they have not yet been affirmed by the Government. They cover IL. 650,000 for education.

When councillors asserted that rates should not be increased to bring in more revenue, Mayor Rokach said, he expected a deficit of about IL.800,000 due to the fact that the situation had changed since the draft was presented. The extension of the Sanitation Department alone would require an additional IL.100,000, he said.

About 6,000 children were registered for kindergarten and the first grade last week.

Mr. D.Z. Pinkas, of the Municipality's Education Committee, made an appeal that Jewish children in Jaffa should not be educated in Christian mission schools.

Someone Turned Off the Water

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — For two days the residents of Kfar Shalom were without water, because someone had turned off the water main. Following complaints to the Water Department the main was opened again.

Questions concerning the incident were put to Mayor Rokach at today's session of the Municipal Council, and members demanded that the water main be locked in such a way that nobody could tamper with it.

Name-Calling Sparks J'lem Council Parley

Yesterday's Jerusalem Municipal Council meeting was the scene of fresh recriminations among the councillors.

The heated session was the outgrowth of a closed meeting last week of the Committee on Personnel during which Deputy Mayor E. Eliashar (General Zionists) told the minority opposition members: "There are criminals among the opposition."

At yesterday's session the opposition demanded that the Council denounce the Deputy Mayor's action.

Criminal Charges

At one point Mr. Eliashar rose and shouted at Mr. R. Shari (Mapai): "You are the criminal. Yes, I repeat it, you are the criminal." Mr. Eliashar then said that he apologized for what he had said at the committee meeting since he had not meant to accuse all the opposition members.

The opposition proposed that the Council vote to condemn Mr. Eliashar's remarks. Several members of Mr. Eliashar's own rightist coalition, including his own party, indicated their disagreement with him.

The Mayor summed up by noting that he could not find the words to describe the conduct of the meeting. He concluded: "Many of the things said here should not have been said."

Uneasy coalition members asked the opposition to withdraw the censure proposal whereupon the latter agreed, adding that the Mayor's statement constituted a condemnation of Mr. Eliashar. The Deputy Mayor leaped to his feet and demanded that a vote be taken, warning that if it passed he would resign. But his fellow coalition members prevailed upon him and the four-hour session ended after a social service bill was passed assuring the needy certain supplies for Passover.

CURRENT IN CAPITAL CUT TEMPORARILY

Damage to the lines in an outlying district near Bet Safafa caused a temporary stoppage of electricity in the northern and western parts of Jerusalem at 6.15 yesterday evening.

The cause of the damage was not yet known, Mr. A. Singer, General Manager of the Jerusalem Electric Corporation, said.

Service was restored after about half an hour, Mr. Singer said.

Gluska Says He Spat On Ground, Not at Official

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — Mr. Zecharia Gluska, Knesset member (Yemenite), today denied that he had ever spat in the face of a Jewish Agency official, as the latter has charged. He spat on the ground, Mr. Gluska said, during a three-hour cross-examination in the District Court here.

Mr. Gluska is being sued for IL.500 by the official, Mr. David Maliah, who also claims that the defendant insulted him and several colleagues during the foundation ceremony of a Yemenite cooperative village 20 months ago.

On the witness stand today Mr. Gluska told how he had come to the ceremony at the abandoned Arab village of Deir el Kassi in Galilee after being promised by the arrangements committee that Mapai would not "dominate the ceremony," and that all speakers would be given equal prominence.

At the entrance he noticed a large red banner being raised. He grabbed it, tore it down, stamped on it, and burned it, Mr. Gluska related. "I didn't notice what was written on it, I just saw red and that tells all," Mr. Gluska said.

He then charged the plaintiff with being a "Histadrut hireling" and disseminating Communist propaganda, but he said he never spat at him. According to the previous evidence, the banner was inscribed with a quotation from the prophet Amos.

Under cross-examination by the plaintiff's attorney, Mr. A. Antorion, Mr. Gluska said that he had lived in the U.S. between 1937 and 1939, and again from 1940 to 1942. He had also been in the U.S. for an extended period in 1949 and 1950, raising funds with the aid of the Pro-Yemenite Committee there.

The money raised in the U.S. was sent to the Yemenite Association in Israel which forwarded it to Yemen and Aden, Mr. Gluska said. The witness declined to identify the recipients of the funds in the latter two countries.

Judge M. Kenet set June 1 for a resumption of the case. Mr. A. Arazi is counsel for the defendant.

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Suspect, Passerby Shot in Chase

TEL AVIV, Sunday.—A suspected burglar was shot and a passerby was slightly wounded during a chase by police in the centre of Tel Aviv at noon today.

Shortly before noon two plainclothesmen entered a cafe in Rehov Allenby near the sea front, and arrested an 18-year-old youth suspected of burglary. The youth had finished serving a four months' sentence for burglary two weeks ago.

When the three reached Rehov Hayarkon, the prisoner broke away and ran northwards. The policemen warned him to stop, threatening to shoot, but he turned into a passageway shortly before he reached Rehov Ness Ziona.

One of the policemen fired, striking him in the small of the back. The bullet went through the victim's body and hit a passerby, Avraham Levi, in the hand. The shooting attracted a large crowd which dispersed only after the injured men were taken to the Municipal hospital by the Magen David Adom ambulance.

Soldier Jailed For Perjury

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — The soldier who had changed his testimony in connection with the murder of five Arabs near Wadi Fukin last May was sentenced to two months' imprisonment by the Magistrate, Mr. E. Mani, here today on a charge of giving false evidence.

Mr. Mani took into consideration the fact that the accused, Uri Cadi, 20, of Jerusalem, had participated in numerous battles during the War of Liberation.

Cadi had given a deposition before a military examiner shortly after the alleged murder of the Arabs, implicating his company commander, Seren Mordecai Braun, and Samal Meir Faliba. During the preliminary inquiry against the two, Cadi denied all knowledge of the alleged murder.

According to his original deposition, the Arabs were brought with some of their livestock to a headquarters by a patrol commanded by Samal Faliba. The Arabs were shot soon thereafter by Faliba and other patrol members, and the bodies were then burned in accordance with the instructions of Seren Braun, the accused had testified.

During the inquiry several other members of Cadi's military unit also reversed their previous testimony. It is believed that charges will be brought against them also. Charges against Braun were dropped and Faliba was committed for trial by the Military Examiner after Cadi and others denied their previous depositions.

Appearing for the prosecution was Mr. Natan Kenet. Mr. R. Rabinowitz was defence counsel.

Khamsin Broken

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — The khamsin broke here early this afternoon when a cool moist wind brought relief to a heat-stricken city. Temperatures fell and humidity rose. Isolated drops of rain were reported during the afternoon.

Historic Jewish Broadcasts On the Air from U.S. to Israel

NEW YORK, Sunday. — Two history-making radio programmes went on the air for the first time today. The Voice of America began a daily half-hour broadcast in Hebrew, marking the first time the State Department has used the language if not the way of life of the Prophets, and the Eternal Light Programme of the Jewish Theological Seminary was broadcast simultaneously over the several hundred stations of the National Broadcasting Company and Kol Zion Lagola in Jerusalem.

The State Department's Hebrew programme will be heard seven days a week over six short wave bands at 9 p.m. Israel Summer Time, until April 29 when New York goes on daylight saving time and the programme will be heard one hour earlier.

According to Dr. Sidney Glazer, head of the Hebrew desk, the programme was envisaged in 1946 when Arabic broadcasts were planned, but the appropriation was turned down. Budget approval was finally given six months ago but the lengthy security clearance which every State Department employee must undergo has delayed the start of the programme. The staff will consist of eight persons, four of whom were hired in Israel during Dr. Glazer's recent trip and who have not yet arrived here. Of the four Israelis hired locally I recognized one: Oded Bourla, noted artist son of Yehuda Bourla.

Audience of 6 Million

The Eternal Light programme, which has an audience of six million people of all faiths and has won many citations of merit for its programmes, broadcast a moving dramatization of the integration of an immigrant, called "These Rocks are Mine."

The play was transcribed in Israel at Kol Zion Lagola's studio and contains some wonderful music and street scenes tape-recorded at Beit Lid camp. It was written by one of Eternal Light's most talented writers, Sylvia Berger. Miss Berger, who has been in Israel for about six months, is preparing two more scripts, the first of which will be completed in time for the Shavuot broadcast, and the second for Rosh Hashana when she returns here. Dr. Moshe Davis, director of the Eternal Light programme, plans to send another staff writer to Israel and eventually transcribe one programme a month in Israel in cooperation with Kol Zion Lagola. Kol Zion will translate the scripts into Hebrew, Arabic and other languages.

Many people have pontificated about building a cultural bridge between Israel and the U.S. The Eternal Light programme is the first to lay the girders.

Voice of America Transmits in Hebrew

The first Voice of America programme in Hebrew was broadcast last night from the U.S.

Mr. A. Eban, the Ambassador to the U.S. said that the project would strengthen ties which are already based on friendship. The people of Israel, he said, will now be able to get information on the U.S. directly.

The American representatives spoke in English and their greetings were translated into Hebrew. Vice-President Alben Barkley sent greetings.

Mr. George McGhee, the Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern Affairs, said that he had been very much impressed by Israel's development during his recent visit. The hope that the truces between Israel and the Arab states would be converted into peace treaties, was expressed by Senator Herbert Lehman.

The programme opened with "Columbia, the Gem of the Ocean" and closed with "Hatikva" and the "Star Spangled Banner." A musical selection by the National Broadcasting Company Orchestra was also presented.

Tribute To Stephen Wise

NEW YORK, Sunday (INA). —People representing all walks of life and faiths joined today in remembering the late Dr. Stephen Wise in a ceremony dedicating the H.Q. of the American and World Jewish Congresses in his name.

Messages were received from President Truman and from other notables here and abroad.

AGREEMENTS — Franco-Yugoslav trade, and economic agreements were signed in Paris on Saturday.

LEAGUE — The Arab League Council will meet on April 20 to consider the Israel border incidents, according to a Cairo radio report.

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Cables in Brief

[illegible] — The Maharajah of Baroda, whose deposition was announced by Premier Nehru in the Indian Parliament on Saturday, has resigned his presidency of the Rulers' Union. The Union was formed last year by [illegible] pensioned princes whose states were taken over by the Indian Government.

ITALY — Italian police combing the Naples area for arms caches yesterday arrested 12 people for hiding weapons.

Catholics Claim Israel is Hostile

ROME, Sunday (UP). — Israel regulations for foreigners had, in effect, passed "sentence of death" on many Catholic religious communities, and government policy seemed to be to drive Catholics from Israel, the Sacred Congregation for the Propagation of the Faith said here yesterday.

The statement admitted that priests and members of the Church were treated with deference and even enjoyed special favours, but argued that at the same time an effort is being made to cause them to disappear from Israel territory, "except for a few allowed to remain so as to attract visitors." Visa regulations admit non-Jewish foreigners only as tourists for short periods of residence, the statement complained, although these may be renewed.

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The Chief Rabbinate and Religious Council
Tel Aviv-Jaffa District
Information and Instructions for Pesah

In order to avoid ritual lapses during the Passover Festival, every person should take care, when purchasing Pesah commodities, whether locally prepared or imported from abroad, to demand a "Kashrut" certificate over the signature of the local Chief Rabbinate.

הרבנות הראשית
בכשר לפסח
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Local products will bear this seal which will be distributed by the Chief Rabbinate's representative. The buyer should not be content with an ordinary "Kasher le'Pesah" label attached by the merchant.

Shopkeepers are warned against introducing into their shops any Pesah product which does not bear the "Kasher le'Pesah" certificate of the Tel Aviv-Jaffa Chief Rabbinate bearing this year's date so as not to cause others to fall into error; further they are exhorted not to attach any label marked "Kasher le'Pesah" on any of their goods; such an act will be considered as misleading.

Shops with flour may in no circumstance keep matzot or any other Pesah commodity on the premises unless a suitable partition is erected to separate the two.

Purchasers should warn members of their families to make sure that the commodities they buy bear the above label.

Purchasers should make sure that commodities bearing the above label stamped on commodities is of this year's date, since there are some persons who display such labels in their windows which are granted to factories for other products altogether and in such manner mislead the purchaser.

No package of matzot should be sold unless it bears a Shield of David with the words "Kasher, 5711." No matza flour should be sold unless it is packed in specially made paper bags marked like the matza packages "Kasher, 5711."

A special place in the shop should be made ready for Passover products before the holiday and great care should be taken that the products do not come in contact with anything that is leavened — even a sprinkling of flour — and the matzot baked during the year for regular use should be removed entirely.

Pesah commodities should be sold in special and clean paper bags. The vessels and scales should be new or well cleaned.

Salted herring should be soaked before Pesah. Preserved and smoked [illegible] as well as all kinds of conserves need a Rabbinical "hekhsher."

Preserved kasher meat from abroad may not be used on Passover without a special sanction by the Chief Rabbinate.

All articles which are leavened or are suspect of being so may not be sold on Pesah.

Sausage, smoked meat, margarine, mayonnaise, cheese, soup extract, soup cubes, etc. need a special Rabbinical certificate.

Milk products must not be used on Pesah without a special Rabbinical approval.

"Shemen," "Yitzhar" and "Shamnun" oil products in closed tins may be used on Pesah.

Primus spirit may be used on Pesah.

Care should be taken to sell the leaven before the advent of Pesah according to the injunction so as not to mislead the public with the danger of leaven; and to receive Rabbinical approval on the sale of "hametz," and to produce this approval for checking.

Commodities which may not be used on Pesah may not be sold after 8.30 a.m. on Friday, the eve of the Festival. Commodities which may not be used on Pesah or which contain leaven or are suspect of containing same, should be effectively covered up during the Festival.

Any commodity whose "kashrut" for the purposes of Pesah is not clear or undecided, may not be used without first consulting the Rabbinate or the local Rabbi.

Pesah "gazoz" is made of syrups which as a rule are leaven. Persons should take care to drink this beverage only in places which carry a "Kasher le'Pesah" Certificate from the Chief Rabbinate which is granted only after a thorough investigation.

Straws for gazoz are manufactured with leavened glue and their use is absolutely prohibited.

Gazoz factory proprietors should apply to the Offices of the Rabbinate for a "hekhsher" at least one week before the holiday, and kiosk owners not later than three days before Pesah.

Care should be taken to purchase wine and other spirits only from concerns which have the Rabbinate Certificate.

Milk, milk products and margarine should not be purchased during Pesah unless they have a "hekhsher" from the local Rabbinate.

The use of egg powder and milk powder in closed containers is being permitted this year.

The ritual cleansing of vessels for Pesah use should be entrusted to a person who holds a Rabbinical certificate for this purpose and who is expert in the rules governing the carrying out the task.

Porcelain vessels and baking pots cannot be ritually cleansed.

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HULEH ISSUE

THE dispute which began in the Huleh has steadily grown in significance and scope. Starting as isolated sniping, it extended to the ambush of frontier patrols and reprisal bombings, until now it stands on the agenda of the Security Council. Unfortunately the affair has taken a form which recalls painful memories of less than three years ago.

Once more we find the lack of discrimination between the attackers and the attacked. Indeed, by reading the agenda of the Security Council, one might assume that it had been Israel who first fired into Syria, instead of vice versa; that it had been the Israel army who ambushed a Syrian police patrol and fired on U.N. observers; and that it was Syria who, after such gross provocation, took punitive action. One wonders why this peculiar attitude towards aggression is only adopted when Israel is involved.

As for the original cause of the dispute — the drainage of the Huleh swamp—a rather peculiar justification for the Syrian attacks is being circulated. As the Tel Aviv correspondent of "The Times" puts it: "It is held generally in foreign diplomatic circles here, that the Syrians had some grounds for their belief that the Israel reclamation project.... by lowering the level of the lake, and draining the swamps, would have the effect of giving Israel a distinct advantage in the demilitarized area." This line of reasoning, however, overlooks the fact that the demilitarized zone lies to the south of the areas to be drained. Although the work of diverting the Jordan temporarily and the subsequent lowering of its bed must take place in the demilitarized area, Lake Huleh and the swamp lie to the north, in an area of an entirely different status, which is as indisputably under Israel sovereignty as Tel Aviv, for example.

With regard to the motives of the Syrians, one wonders if Colonel Shishakli's alleged desire to build up the prestige of the army in preparation for the return of ex-President Kuwatly (now exiled in Cairo) is sufficient to explain this sudden aggressiveness. One wonders also if it is mere coincidence that the flare-up has occurred on the eve of the opening of the Israel bond drive in America. The Arab States apparently cling to their belief that Israel will collapse economically, and so they time their moves with a view to damaging Israel's reputation. In this light, too, may be seen the increased tension on the Jordan border, where Arab shepherds have infiltrated, and members of the "Palestine National Guard" have become active. Again Israel's "aggression" is emphasized. The same sense of timing may be seen in the sudden announcement of the arrest of 13 "Palestine refugee terrorists" for complicity in last month's bomb outrage during Mr. McGhee's visit to Damascus.

The discussions at the Security Council and the meeting of the Political Committee of the Arab League would seem to have only one aim: to sabotage Israel's economic efforts abroad. It is important in viewing the situation today not to overlook these factors.

New Tankers for Shell

LONDON, Sunday. — A new tanker building programme which may facilitate supplies of crude oil for the Haifa refineries, has been announced here by Sir George Legh-Jones, Managing-Director of the Anglo-Saxon Petroleum Company, a sister company of the Shell Company of Palestine Ltd.

The £45m. programme includes the building of 46 tankers specially designed to carry the expanding trade of the Royal Dutch Shell Group.

SERVICE CHIEFS SUPPORT TRUMAN

MacArthur Under Fire from Army

By Jesse Zel Lurie
POST Correspondent

NEW YORK, Sunday. — Although General Douglas MacArthur is still an army officer (without assignment) under military discipline, no obstacle will be placed in his garland-strewn path to prevent his receiving the acclaim of the multitude when he returns on Tuesday.

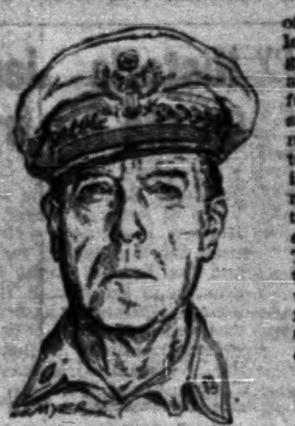
He will travel in his personal army plane dramatically rechristened "Bataan," and Democratic voters of New York City will shower him with tickertape in his triumphant ride up Broadway. In Washington, by the gracious consent of the President, he will address a joint session of Congress.

The Administration's strategy is to let MacArthur and his supporters blow off steam for a few days, before the Senate Armed Services Committee headed by Democratic Senator Russel, of Georgia, begins an exhaustive inquiry into the circumstances surrounding the General's dismissal. Senator Russel hopes to begin on Wednesday by calling Secretary of Defence Marshall as its first witness. Hearings will be closed, so that military secrets may be mentioned, but edited versions of the proceedings will be made public, so that Marshall's testimony will reach the press on Thursday or Friday—at the same time that MacArthur is scheduled to address Congress.

Army Witnesses

Marshall will probably be followed by Chief of Staff Bradley, and then possibly by MacArthur himself. It should be remembered that Generals Marshall and Bradley are no less heroes to the American public, and much more beloved by army veterans than MacArthur. Their testimony will make it clear that it was the army chiefs who insisted that MacArthur be relieved because they felt that they could not run the war in Korea with an insubordinate general in command. MacArthur will deny, as his spokesman in Tokyo has been reiterating all week, that he disobeyed instructions; but Marshall and Bradley will bring committee files and documents to prove their case.

These facts will probably have a difficult time breaking through the propaganda screen that has been churned out by the fog-making machines of the Republican Party and the Hearst, McCormick and Scripps-Howard press. But his surprise victory in 1948 against the majority of the press makes President Truman confident that most of the American people will eventually get the facts right and swing behind him; especially as, unlike 1948, a good deal of the press is not opposed to Truman's action on MacArthur. Responsible papers such as the Republican "Herald-Tribune" and the independent "New York Times" supported the firing of MacArthur.



Truman Supported

Both these papers yesterday devoted their leaders to a discussion of the military issues involved in the controversy. The "Times" began with the assertion that passions whipped up by political partisans found fertile ground because of the anger and frustration of the nation at finding itself, less than six years after its greatest trial, again at war and facing the danger of a further world conflict. The situation makes it all the more necessary for men of goodwill to consider the fundamental issues involved soberly and realistically, the editorial continued. The "Times" concluded, as did the "Herald-Tribune," that Truman's strategy of trying to limit the war in Korea by refraining from bombing China or using Chiang Kai-Shek's troops, was correct.

MacArthur claims that this is the only way to end the conflict in Korea and to prevent its spreading to a world war. The danger remains that MacArthur may be right; that the expected Chinese offensive will again drive the U.N. forces back; and that this attack will not be the last. There are no signs that Peking is willing to discuss a truce, or that the Soviets will permit the war to end. It serves their purpose by providing a constant source of disagreement and friction between America and Western Europe: and in this, MacArthur has given Stalin some valuable assistance.

Readers' Letters

COUPON QUERY

To the Editor of The POST

Sir,—Four Cabinet Ministers are at present abroad, and others are to follow. It would be interesting to learn whether they were obliged to surrender their ration books when leaving Israel. If so, will their old books be restored to them on their return (with the removal of certain coupons) or will they too be obliged to make personal applications for new books?

If so, will they also be asked without forewarning how many clothing coupons they had utilized in the old book? And if they can't remember exactly, will they also be told that they can't get any? And will they, too, be required to go to their various tradespeople and re-register themselves as customers? If all this is to happen, how long will it take them to urge the abolition of this senseless system?

Yours, etc.,
S. LEVIN

Tel Aviv, April 11.

SMALL COUNTRY'S INDEPENDENCE PAYS OFF

Uruguay is New Switzerland

By James H. Scheuer

MONTEVIDEO, Ur. (ONA)—A COMBINATION of extraordinary circumstances has made this tiny South American republic the chief centre of world capital fleeing from three continents since the prewar decade.

It is true that United States tax rates and the pressures and control of the American war effort have a direct bearing on this phenomenon. However, to explain why streams of United States dollars, Argentine pesos, Swiss francs, American and foreign securities, and pure gold bullion from all corners of the globe should continue to flow into Montevideo at an ever-increasing tempo one must examine not only world conditions but also the particular local conditions which have enabled Uruguay to exert such a powerful gravitational pull.

Two vital factors have made Uruguay the overwhelming favourite. First, this little agricultural country of less than three million inhabitants is the only first-rate, stable, prosperous, working democracy in South America today. Uruguay has a fifty-year record of highly advanced labour and social legislation; public-spirited and competent leadership in government, labour, and business; a growing middle class and gradually increasing standard-of-living which are surpassed nowhere in Latin America. There is virtually no extreme poverty in Uruguay, a unique situation in Latin America. Accordingly, left wing and Communist groups have little material for propaganda purposes.

Steady Politics

Revolutions and *coups-d'etat* are popular subjects for comic opera here, but they were rejected a half century ago as normal ways and means of carrying on the political life of the country. And the great curse of Latin politics, "personalismo," or absolute rule by a colourful dictator-demagogue who is popular with the masses, is entirely absent.

If this robs the local political process in Uruguay of the fiery volatility of other Latin American states, and makes politics a hum-drum and businesslike affair, this has exerted a powerful influence on foreign business interests. Thus the political and economic climate breeds great confidence.

The second important fact contributing to Uruguay's financial popularity — and one of vast importance to the owners of refuge capital — is that it is the only country in South America which has a free currency exchange. Free convertibility between all foreign currencies and the Uruguayan peso is permitted, and gold bullion as well as any currency may be taken into and out of the country at will.

Flow of Capital

Thus, European capital has rushed here since the recent worsening of East-West relations because Uruguay shrewdly provided the important factors of mobility and liquidity of currencies, in addition to a governmental background of hospitality, fair dealing and orderly democracy. The daily gossip columns in the Montevideo press take delight in reporting which of the European royalty and great industrial and commercial families have recently sent large holdings to Uruguay.

More recently, the flow of capital from Europe has been augmented by two additional streams. United States businessmen, beset by high taxes on the profits of reinvested earnings, and fearful of the future course of the dollar and of dollar controls in what may be a chronic war economy, have been looking beyond United States borders for a hedge for some of their capital. Many of them have settled upon Uruguay for the same reasons which motivated European investors.

They have noted that Uruguay's equitable corporation laws enable foreigners to establish domestic holding companies in Uruguay, which in turn can make and control investments in other parts of South America which may be more dynamic in the making of profits than Uruguay, notably Brazil. And the fact that, if carefully planned, these corporations are not subject either to United States or Uruguayan income taxes, has been a powerful stimulant to the flow of investment dollars from the highly tax-conscious American businessman.

The third component of the capital flow has been the stream from other less stable countries of South America, particularly Argentina. Five years of Gen. Juan D. Peron and "Peronismo" have convinced a major portion of the Argentine aristocracy, the owners of the greater part of Argentina's rich pampa farm and cattle country, and industrial wealth, that there was simply no way of doing business with Peron. Many of them have channelled all available funds into Uruguay by whatever means they could devise.

The United States Embassy estimate on dollar inflow into Uruguay since the start of the Korean crisis is a figure in excess of $100m. and Embassy officials believe current inflow to be upward of $20m. monthly. Local airways officials state that scarcely a day passes when a passenger does not step off a plane with some three-quarters of a ton or more of gold bullion as part of his luggage with a value of perhaps a million dollars.

Peso Soaring

Whatever the exact amount of the flow may be, it is vast and it has had powerful repercussions here and abroad. The scramble of foreign interests competing for a limited supply of Uruguayan pesos has sent the price of the peso soaring in relation to the competing currencies. And a swollen national income from record meat prices and wool sales at five time the prewar price level has accelerated this trend.

Since the outbreak of the Korean hostilities last June the Uruguayan peso has mounted 35 per cent in relation to the United States dollar. And the frantic efforts of Argentine citizens only one hundred and fifty miles down the Rio Plate to convert their currency into Uruguayan pesos in Montevideo has sent the Uruguayan unit mounting to five times its value in Argentine pesos of only four years ago.

By dint of hard work and wise statesmanship, Uruguay has won international confidence, admiration and respect, and is now, in effect, the Switzerland of the postwar world. She has found that democracy, good management and sound finance pay off in hard cash.

TEL AVIV ART NOTES

U.S. Gifts to Israel Galleries

TO encourage the growth of Israel's museums, some distinguished American art lovers have joined together under the auspices of the American Fund for Israel Institutions, to secure paintings and other art objects in America as gifts to museums in Israel.

Pictures to the value of $100,000 have already been shipped, and will soon be distributed to the five museums in this country by a committee headed by Mr. Moshe Mokadi, art director of the Ministry of Culture.

The chairman of the newly formed American committee is Mr. Richard S. Zeisler, an investment analyst who is a keen art lover. Mr. Zeisler arrived in Israel last week for a three-month visit, during which time he will investigate the needs of the museums, the artists, various movements and schools. He wants to meet museum directors, curators, and a large number of local artists, to find out how artistic life here can best be encouraged. "I want to talk over the possibility of setting up an international committee of friends of Israel museums, which I think should consist of one or two representatives of each country interested," he told *The Jerusalem Post*. There are many societies in different countries which sponsor Israel art, and Mr. Zeisler believes that a united effort would be more effective.

Five Museums

The five museums which will benefit from these gifts are the Tel Aviv Museum, the Bezalel Museum in Jerusalem, the museums at Haifa and Ein Harod, and the "Ha'aretz Museum" of Mr. W. Moses. Pictures now on their way to Israel include Renoir's "Gabrielle," "Pont de Moret" by Sisley and "Church at Vernon" by Monet, which are all bequests of Dr. Alfred Schwabacher of New York. Mr. Zeisler has contributed a Picasso drawing, the first to be owned by any museum in Israel, and Mrs. Alma Morgenthau, sister of Mr. Henry Morgenthau Jr., has given five pictures by modern artists. In addition, Mr. Alex Loewenthal has donated a piece by Waldo Pierce, and Mr. Henry Pearlman one by Chasin. Mr. James N. Rosenberg, Honorary Vice-Chairman of the new committee, has contributed a number of pictures, including two of his own works, Mr. Zeisler said that a number of other bequests have already been made, but not yet announced.

All gifts, as well as objects of art to be lent to local museums, will be scrutinized by a committee of experts, headed by Professor Meyer Shapiro, head of the Art Department of Columbia University.

Art Libraries

Mr. Zeisler, who was last in Israel during the UNSCOP visit and the first stages of the Palestine fighting, has made it his business to help Israel art and artists. He said that the country needed art libraries badly and that the newly formed committee was trying to help fill that need. He would also render technical advice to museums on the arrangement of exhibitions.

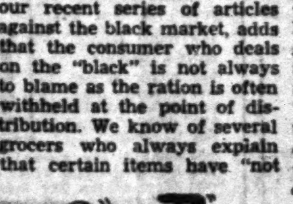
There is another scheme for the loan of paintings from American collections to Israel museums. Mr. Zeisler pointed out that fund-raising was not connected with the committee's activities, but that the committee was trying to secure scholarships in the United States to Israel students.

The inspiration for the scheme came from Mr. Moses, a keen art lover and collector who called on the offices of The American Fund for Israel Institutions several months ago, to discuss what could be done. "He has given us the necessary impetus to establish the committee and start collecting," said Mr. Zeisler. He hopes that before long, Israel's museums will have valuable collections which would have been far out of their reach, if they had had to purchase them.

R.C.

KEEPING POSTED

ONE of our readers who wrote her appreciation of our recent series of articles against the black market, adds that the consumer who deals on the "black" is not always to blame as the ration is often withheld at the point of distribution. We know of several grocers who always explain that certain items have "not arrived," or an insufficient quantity has been allocated by the Ministry, despite the figures published in the press. When the disappointed customer has left with half or nothing of her ration these tradesmen proceed to sell what is left at exorbitant prices, while the hungry housewife proceeds to another shop engaged in the same racket and gets her ration there (for twice the price).



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WITH Passover less than a week away, Israel's 57 Samaritans are anxiously waiting to hear if the Jordan authorities will allow them to cross the lines to celebrate the festival at their 2,000-year-old traditional site on Mt. Gerizim near Nablus. Reports published elsewhere that a Samaritan woman buried at the periphery of the Jewish cemetery in Tel Aviv after Orthodox rabbis had objected to her burial inside the cemetery, would be exhumed and reinterred on Mt. Gerizim are untrue, as the Health Department has forbidden the exhumation of a body within a year of burial. Mr. Yitzhak Ben Zvie, Knesset member, who for years has had a special interest in the Samaritans has deplored attempts to discriminate against the group as "quasi-Jews." They are deeply devoted to their religion, that of "Moses and Israel," and to the Hebrew language, and in Israel are loyal citizens of the State, says Mr. Ben Zvie.

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MRS. J. F. Saville-Cohen of London, who is in this country on a two-week visit, called at our offices this week with a novel suggestion for reviving interest abroad in Israel. The idea is to have a portable showcase of "Israel local colour" which could be shown anywhere and transported in a suitcase. It would include examples of local craftsmanship, chips of stone or material from interesting or Holy Places, pressed flowers, recordings of topical melodies and other "actualities" which would "bring people closer to Israel." Donors with any small or original contributions are asked to send them to Mrs. Saville-Cohen: Wizo, 107 Gloucester Place, London.

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WHILE most Jerusalemites were suffering from the torrid khamsin yesterday, passengers on a No. 5 bus were having an even worse time. The bus brakes were squealing so much that we were moved to ask the driver what was the matter with them. Instead of getting some technical excuse we were surprised to hear from the driver that the brakes were "all right." We pointed out that while noting the khamsin the squealing of the brakes had everybody's nerves on edge. "But the brakes," said the driver, pulling up to a shuddering, agonizing stop, "are 100 per cent okay..."

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EFFICIENT Government departments, who ought to be publicized, seem to enjoy keeping their efficiency a secret. For instance, if you want a driving test in Tel Aviv you must spend a full morning at the former Sarona police station queuing up to pay your fee and fix an appointment. If, on the other hand, you fill out your forms and send them with half a pound to the Controller of Road Transport, you will promptly receive a polite letter containing a receipt and a date for your test. But few know of this simple procedure. If a tourist wishes to extend his visa, he does not need to queue up at the Migration Office but can merely fill out a form, enclose his pound fee and his passport, and have it duly endorsed and returned to him by mail. But this again is a top secret. In addition, one of our correspondents suggests that if the various Government application forms could be obtained at most shops against a fee, instead of forcing the long suffering public into more queues, then we should be nearly perfect....

A MAN with business before a Government official complained that it was next to impossible to get anyone to keep an appointment with him. "Why can't you set a definite time to see me and then stick to it?" he urged. "You're perfectly right," said the official in question, "why don't you come in every Monday and Thursday?"

Today's contributors include: Dr. W. Lange and Murray Friedman of Tel Aviv, and H.B. of Jerusalem.

MUM'S THE WORD

That doesn't mean that you should padlock your mouth. It only means keeping prudently silent about things which are apt to be of interest to enemy espionage. The enemy is interested in knowing the exact location of military camps and installations, the names of units and their officers, the location of armament production centres, our military potential, etc. etc. Don't discuss these matters unless of course it is part of your occupation. And even then — not in public!

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Anyone interested in Canadian matters in which Mr. Heifetz may be of assistance, will please contact him on April 17 and 18 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 3 to 5 p.m. at 24 Rehov Sirkin, Tel Aviv, 2nd. floor, or write to him c/o above address.

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